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at least one steerable component, at least a portion of which is secured with the signal carrying component, wherein a non-secured portion of the steerable component can be manipulated by a user from a first disposition generally adjacent a portion of the signal carrying component to a second non-adjacent disposition for steering the assembly into the receptacle.

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- 2. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one signal carrying component comprises at least one electrical conductor.
- 10 3. The coupling assembly of claim 2, wherein the at least one electrical conductor comprises a cable.
  - 4. The coupling assembly of claim 2, wherein the at least one electrical conductor comprises one or more conductive traces.
  - 5. The coupling assembly of claim 2, wherein the at least one electrical conductor comprises a flexible printed circuit.
- 6. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one steerable component comprises polyester.

- 7. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one steerable component comprises plastic.
- 8. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one signal carrying component comprises multiple signal carrying components configured to be coupled with multiple corresponding receptacles.

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- 9. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the at least one steerable component is flat.
- 10. The coupling assembly of claim 9, wherein the at least one steerable component has a width and is coupled with the signal carrying component along a majority of the width.
- 11. The coupling assembly of claim 10, wherein the at least one signal carrying component has a width, and wherein the width of the signal carrying component is equal to the width of the steerable component.

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12. The coupling assembly of claim 11, wherein the width of the steerable component has a rigidity and the width of the signal carrying component has a rigidity, and wherein the rigidity of the steerable component is greater than the rigidity of the signal carrying component.

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13. The coupling assembly of claim 1, wherein the steerable component has a length and a rigidity associated with the length and the signal carrying component has a length and a rigidity associated with the length and wherein the rigidity of the length of the steerable component exceeds the rigidity of the length of the signal carrying component.

## 14. A coupling assembly, comprising:

a signal carrying component comprising at least one conductor and an interface component, wherein the at least one conductor is capable of carrying a signal for provision to an electronic device and is coupled with the interface component, the interface component being configured for receipt in an electronic device receptacle; and,

a steerable component having a secured portion on the signal carrying component and a non-secured portion, the non-secured portion having a first disposition adjacent the signal carrying component and a second disposition spaced away from the signal carrying component, the non-secured portion being configured for user deployment away from the signal carrying component in a

manner that permits the interface component to be positioned independently of a position of at least a majority of the at least one conductor.

- 15. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the signal carrying component comprises a flat cable.
- 16. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the signal carrying component comprises a flexible printed circuit.
- 17. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the steerable component provides stiffness that allows force to be applied to insert the interface component into the receptacle.
- 18. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the non-secured portion is15 configured to be manipulatable by a user for positioning the interface component into the receptacle.
  - 19. The coupling assembly of claim 18, wherein the receptacle is located in a constrained volume.

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- 20. The coupling assembly of claim 19, wherein the non-secured portion extends beyond the constrained volume.
- 21. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the at least one conductor5 comprises at least one trace.
  - 22. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the steerable component is mounted to the interface component.
- 10 23. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the steerable component comprises polyester.
  - 24. The coupling assembly of claim 14, wherein the steerable component comprises plastic.

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